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- 1. IN RESPONDING TO FONMIN WILLS' CONCERN OVER SURINAM-ESE PM ARRON'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON, EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE UNMISTAKABLY CLEAR THAT USG HAS NOT TAKEN AND WILL NOT TAKE SIDES IN CONTROVERSY BETWEEN SURINAM AND GUYANA OVER DISPUTED TERRITORY. USG CONSIDERS THIS A BILATERAL ISSUE TO BE SOLVED BY GUYANA AND SURINAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.N. CHARTER.
- 2. IN REGARD TO WILLS' CONCERN ABOUT ARRON SEEING CONFIDENTIAL.

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THE SECRETARY AHEAD OF HIM (REFTEL B), YOU MAY WANT TO POINT OUT TO WILLS (WHO MUST HAVE KNOWN IT WHEN REFERRING TO ARRON'S VISIT IN DISCUSSION WITH CHARGE) THAT SURINAMESE PM'S VISIT WAS FOR PURPOSE OF ATTENDING SPECIAL SESSION OF OAS ON FEB 22 WHICH FORMALLY ADMITTED SURINAM INTO THAT BODY. WHILE IN WASHINGTON, IT WAS NATURAL FOR HIM TO WISH TO SEE THE SECRETARY, WHICH HE DID ON FEB 25.

3. FYI, SURINAM HAS INFORMED INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE BOARD THAT IT PLANS TO ISSUE A PRESS RELEASE STATING THAT IT IS CONSIDERING APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE IADB. MEMBERSHIP IN OAS IS NOT A REQUIREMENT FOR MEMBERSHIP IN IADB.END FYI.

4. DEPT WILL INFORM EMBASSY OF RESULTS OF ARRON'S VISIT. $\label{eq:VANCE} \mbox{VANCE}$

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